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For: VINYL CHLORIDE RESIN COMPOSITION AND MOLDED ARTICLES MADE THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

March 28, 2003

Sir:

This is a Preliminary Amendment for the above-captioned patent application. Please amend the above-captioned patent application prior to consideration as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Three times amended) A vinyl chloride resin composition having excellent weatherability and impact resistance which comprises:

(A) 100 parts by weight of a vinyl chloride resin,

(B) 1 to 10 parts by weight of a graft copolymer which is obtained by polymerizing 25 to 75 parts by weight of a crosslinked elastomeric polymer so that the total thereof is 100 parts by weight, and the methyl ethyl ketone-soluble portion of which has a reduced viscosity  $\eta_{sp}/c$ , wherein  $\eta_{sp}$  is specific viscosity and c is concentration of polymer in solvent in g/100 mL, of 5 measured at 30°C with respect to its 0.2 g/100 cc acetone solution,